

Electricity (supply in Hosadurga Taluk).

Q.—371. Sri G. BASAPPA (Hosadurga).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the number of villages which have prayed for the supply of electricity in Hosadurga Taluk ;

(b) whether any estimates have been prepared ; if so, how many ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) Seven.

(b) Estimate for the electrification of Anivala Village has been prepared.

Sri G. BASAPPA.—Since how long they are pending with the Government ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—I do not know exactly since how long. But, I hope that the estimate for Anivala has been prepared and sent to the Deputy Commissioner for the load survey.

Sri G. BASAPPA.—What is the percentage of return from Anivala village, Sir ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—I do not know.

Sri G. BASAPPA.—When will it be sanctioned ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—Immediately we get the load survey and if the return is all right.

Sri G. BASAPPA.—Is it not the policy of the Government to send for the information of the Deputy Commissioner whether the estimate works up within the required percentage ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—I do not think so.

Electricity (supply to Basavapatna).

Q.—393. Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether estimates have been prepared to supply electricity to Basavapatna, Keralapura and Rudrapatna villages in Arkalgud Taluk ;

(b) if so, what action will be taken to expedite this work ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) Yes.

(b) According sanction to the estimates is being considered.

Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA.—When the estimates were ready, why was this delay, Sir ?

Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA.—The estimates required to be recast somewhat. We wanted to take it in two sections—firstly Basavapatna and then the other villages.

Contract between Government and Plywood Corporation.

Q.—398. Sri G. A. THIMMAPPA GOWDA (Arkalgud).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) the nature of the contract between the Government and the Mysore Plywood Corporation, Ltd, regarding supply of timber to the factory ;

(b) the sizes of timber allowed to be removed to the factory ;

(c) the total number of trees cut by the Company at the Sakaleshpur Forest during the years 1952-53, 1953-54 ;

(d) whether they are aware of the fact that the Company is selling timber to private parties against the terms of contract ?

A.—Dr. R. NAGAN GOWDA (Minister for Agriculture).—

(a) The concern is permitted to remove certain species of timber from Hassan Ghat Forests on payment of half seigniorage rates in some cases and at Re. 0-1-0 per C. ft. in others.

(b) 6½ Ft. girth.

(c) Information regarding number of trees is not available but the quantity of timber felled is as follows:—

1952-53	...	220,489 C. ft.
1953-54	...	85,488 C. ft.

(d) No.